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REAL McCOY FERRY BACK IN SERVICE ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Solano County – After a six-week-long comprehensive upgrade at a San Francisco dry-dock facility the Real McCoy ferry will return to service in the Sacramento River Delta on Sunday, February 22, 2009.

Work on the 63-year old ferry will be completed this week. The ferry, which provides non-stop service from State Route 84 in Rio Vista to Ryer Island in Solano County, was pulled from service on January 12, 2009 for its first dry-dock service in eight years.

Caltrans will perform a seven-day test run (with full service) after the Real McCoy returns. The Real McCoy provides year-round service to visitors and residents of Ryer Island, a farming and resort community with a population of approximately 400 people near Rio Vista.

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